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An act relating to regional emergency management committees' meeting quorum requirement

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 20 V.S.A. § 6 is amended to read:

§ 6. LOCAL ORGANIZATION FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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(d) Regional emergency management committees shall be established by the Division of Emergency Management.

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(3) A regional emergency management committee shall consist of voting and nonvoting members.

(A) Voting members. The local emergency management director or designee and one representative from each town and city in the region shall serve as the voting members of the committee. A representative from a town or city shall be a member of the town's or city's emergency services community and shall be appointed by the town's or city's executive or legislative branch.

(B) Nonvoting members. Nonvoting members may include representatives from the following organizations serving within the region: fire departments, emergency medical services, law enforcement, media,

transportation, regional planning commissions, hospitals, the Department of Health's district office, the Division of Emergency Management, organizations serving vulnerable populations, and any other interested public or private individual or organization.

(C) Meeting quorum requirement. A regional emergency management committee may vote at any time to modify its quorum requirement.

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Sec. 2. INTERIM QUORUM

Notwithstanding 20 V.S.A. § 6(d)(3)(C), until December 31, 2023, not fewer than five voting members of a regional emergency management committee shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of a meeting; provided, however, that a regional emergency management committee may vote at any time to modify its quorum requirement.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.